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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 12243

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SUBJ: PM GANDHI'S HESITANCY IN COMMITTING HERSELF
ON TRIP TO FRANCE

REF: NEW DELHI 11158

1. WE UNDERSTAND FROM FRENCH EMBOFFS THAT PM GANDHI HAS TOLD FRENCH AMBASSADOR THAT DOMESTIC POLITICAL UNCERTAINTIES MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR HER TO COMMIT HERSELF AT THE PRESENT TIME TO SPECIFIC DATE FOR TRIP TO FRANCE AT END OF 1976. MEA HAS, WE ARE TOLD GIVEN SAME TYPE OF ANSWER TO FEELERS FROM FRENCH EMBASSY, BUT IN MORE GENERAL AND LESS POLITICAL TERMS.

2. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY ASSESSMENT EMBASSY PARIS MAY BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FROM QUAI ON PROSPECTS FOR SUCH A VISIT, AND OF FRENCH REACTION TO MRS. GANDHI'S VAGUE RESPONSES TO FRENCH SUGGESTIONS FOR VISIT.

3. MRS GANDHI WAS UNSPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT HER "UNCERTAINTIES" WERE, ALTHOUGH SHE SPOKE AT LENGTH TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR ABOUT HER CONCERNS OVER "ANTI-
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COW SLAUGHTER" AGITATION WHICH ACHARYA VINOBA BHAVE

IS THREATENING TO BEGIN SEPT 11. FRENCH SPECULATE
MRS GANDHI MAY BE CONTEMPLATING HOLDING ELECTIONS
EARLY IN 1977 BUT DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING ON THIS
FROM THE PM HERSELF.
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